

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-30. (canceled)

31. (new) A sliding wall, comprising:

a plurality of displaceable wall elements;

a carrying profile arranged above said wall elements, wherein said wall elements are individually displaceable along said carrying profile, each of said wall elements having a running roller arranged and dimensioned for guiding said each of said wall elements along said carrying profile;

a guide rail connected to the ground or floor, each of said wall elements having a bottom guide engageable in said guide rail;

at least one of said wall elements comprising a rotating leaf swivelable about at least one first swivel pin and at least one second swivel pin;

a drive unit stationarily arranged relative to one of said carrying profile and said guide rail;

an actuating mechanism arranged and dimensioned for connecting said drive unit to said rotating leaf for actuating said rotating leaf in response to said drive unit when said rotating leaf is in a position along said carrying profile that is aligned with said drive unit, said actuating mechanism comprising a rod linkage; and

a connection device for automatically connecting a lower area of said at least one of said wall element to an adjacent one of said wall elements when said at least one of said wall elements and said adjacent one of said wall elements are driven together, whereby said rotating leaf is safely swivelable relative to said at least one of said wall elements.

32. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein said at least a first swivel pin comprises a lower first swivel pin arranged proximate a center of a lower horizontal end area of said at least one of said wall elements and an upper first swivel pin arranged proximate a center of an upper horizontal area of said at least one of said wall elements.

33. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein said at least one of said wall elements further comprises an upper lever arm arranged in an upper area of said at least one of said wall elements and a lower lever arm arranged in a lower area of said at least one of said wall elements.

34. (new) The sliding wall of claim 33, wherein said upper and lower lever arms are respectively arranged in upper and lower profiles of said at least one of said wall elements.

35. (new) The sliding wall of claim 34, wherein said upper profile of said at least one of said wall elements comprises a suspension profile arranged vertically adjacent to and above a leaf profile.

36. (new) The sliding wall of claim 35, further comprising a swivel bearing arranged in said suspension profile.

37. (new) The sliding wall of claim 35, further comprising a running rail arranged in said suspension profile, a running carriage connected to said leaf profile and being movably arranged for moving along said running rail, said running carriage forming one of said at least one first swivel pin.

38. (new) The sliding wall of claim 34, wherein said upper and lower lever arms are arranged in respective cutout sections of said upper and lower profiles.

39. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein said connection device comprises two partial elements which correspond with one another and which are integrated at said at least one of said wall elements and said adjacent one of said wall elements.

40. (new) The sliding wall of claim 39, wherein a first partial element of said two partial elements is a coupling element comprising a flat arm.

41. (new) The sliding wall of claim 40, wherein a second partial element of said two partial elements comprises a fixing element and a locking element.

42. (new) The sliding wall of claim 41, wherein said fixing element substantially comprises a coupling pin which penetrates said coupling element.

43. (new) The sliding wall of claim 42, wherein the locking element substantially comprises a connection element having a bore hole for receiving said coupling pin, said connection element having an adjusting screw threadably arranged therein and interacting with a locking bevel arranged on a bottom of said at least one of said wall elements, said locking bevel sloping toward one of said planar sides of said at least one of said wall elements.

44. (new) The sliding wall of claim 43, wherein said locking bevel is provided in an end area of a coordinating element connected proximate the bottom of said at least one of said wall elements.

45. (new) The sliding wall of claim 44, wherein said coordinating element defines two locking bevels, said locking bevels sloping toward respective planar sides of said at least one of said wall elements, and a central area of said coordinating element defining a planar unlocking surface joining said locking bevels.

46. (new) The sliding wall of claim 44, wherein said coordinating element has at its end a coupling opening facing one of the ends said at least one of said wall elements for receiving a coupling projection of said coupling pin.

47. (new) The sliding wall of claim 46, wherein portions of said coordinating element defining sides of said coupling opening include run-in bevels adjoined by run-out bevels which pass into an uncoupling section, said uncoupling section being open to the planar sides of said at least one of said wall elements.

48. (new) The sliding wall of claim 44, wherein said at least one of said wall elements further comprises an upper lever arm arranged in an upper area of said at least one of said wall elements and a lower lever arm arranged in a lower area of said at least one of said wall elements, a lower closing profile element being arranged at said lower area of said at least one of said wall elements, said coordinating element being arranged in an end area of said lower closing profile, and said lower lever arm being articulated by said at least one second swivel pin at said lower closing profile.

49. (new) The sliding wall of claim 43, wherein said coupling pin is rotatable and substantially comprises a locking end and a coupling projection, said locking end having adjoining projection and two frustums, said frustums facing in opposite directions.

50. (new) The sliding wall of claim 49, wherein said coupling projection engages said bore hole of said connection element when said rotating leaf is swiveled relative to said at least one of said wall elements such that said adjusting screw slides off said locking bevel.

51. (new) The sliding wall of claim 48, wherein said connection element is arranged at one end of said lower lever arm, said lower lever arm being swivelable relative to said locking element.

52. (new) The sliding wall of claim 43, wherein said coupling pin engages said bore hole at a locking point during swiveling of said rotating leaf, said locking point be adjustable by said adjusting screw.

53. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, further comprising a locking device for locking said lower lever arm to a lower closing profile of said at least one of said wall elements is arranged at one end of the lower lever arm.

54. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein swiveling of said rotating leaf of said at least one of said wall elements is automated by said drive unit.

55. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein said drive unit is arranged adjacent to said guide rail.

56. (new) The sliding wall of claim 35, wherein said rod linkage comprises a flat arm articulated at one end to a driven shaft of said drive unit and having one of a pin and a roller at the other end fastened in a sliding rail connected to said leaf profile.

57. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein said rotating leaf of said at least one of said wall elements is actuated by said drive unit after said coupling pin penetrates completely into said locking element.

58. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein said at least one of said wall elements and an adjacent one of said wall elements are automatically secured to one another when said rotating leaf is swiveled.

59. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, wherein said connection device comprises a coupling member and a locking member.

60. (new) The sliding wall of claim 31, further comprising as sensor for activating said drive unit of said rotating leaf when said sliding wall is fully closed.

61. (new) The sliding wall of claim 45, wherein said coupling pin does not engage said bore hole of said connection element when said adjusting screw contacts with the central area of said coordinating element, and wherein said coupling pin engages said bore hole when said rotating leaf is swiveled relative to said at least one of said wall elements such that said adjusting screw slides off of said locking bevel.